I wholeheartedly agree with the proposals made by FISTS in NPRM RM-10811. I have been studying to upgrade my own license, and have discovered how enjoyable and useful Morse code is. This would not have happenned had a no code route been available.

I also feel that code ability is mandatory to be effective in emergency communications, as voice may be simply unintelligible.

I also feel that the current written exams are too simple from a technical standpoint. I have heard general, and even extra class amateurs on air asking questions which any amateur should know and understand in order to operate their station safely and legally.

Thank You for your time.

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